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Triangle Transit Sets New Ridership Records

Research Triangle Park, NC (April 27, 2011) - Ridership on Triangle Transit buses in March 2011 set a new all-time record. For the month, ridership was 124,277. The previous record was set in October 2008 at 123,431, when fuel prices rose to over \$4 a gallon.

March's total marks the third time in 2011 that ridership has exceeded 2010 levels. March ridership is up 21% over March 2010. February figures were up 22.8% and January ridership rose 17.7%.

"In today's economy, we can help households cope with rising energy prices," said Jeff Merritt, Chair of Triangle Transit's Board of Trustees. "Commuters and riders using transit find it provides reliable, safe and friendly service."

Triangle Transit recently added Wi-Fi on its buses and now provides trip planning using Google Transit.

Triangle Transit improves the region's quality of life by connecting people and places with reliable, safe, and easy-to-use travel choices that reduce congestion and energy use, save money, and promote sustainability, healthier lifestyles, and a more environmentally responsible community.

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